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Overview

There were 67 accidents that occurred in November 2009. This is a 1.5% increase from last month's 66 accidents. There was only one fatal crash, resulting in one passenger being killed. There were three accidents involving impaired drivers. This is two more than in October 2009. Of the 67 accidents, 10 or 14.9% involved commercial motor vehicles. Commercial drivers were found to be at fault in four, or 40%, of these accidents. Six of the commercial vehicle accidents occurred on Interstate 80.

Total enforcement activity for November 2009 decreased by 162 citations as compared to October 2009 with 2,579 total violations issued. This is a decrease of 5.9% compared to October 2009 total of 2,741 citations issued. Speed violations decreased by 26 citations, or 1.9%, from the prior month. Hazardous moving violations increased by two citations, or 1.8%, from the prior month. Occupant restraint violations increased by 10 citations, or 4%, compared to October 2009. There were 38 arrests of impaired drivers prior to a crash during November. This is six less compared to September 2009 but is an increase of three, or 8.6%, over November 2008.

Commercial vehicle inspections decreased by 18%, or 126 inspections as compared to October 2009. Enforcement activity decreased by 3% compared to October 2009. There were 25 less safety violations written in November than in October 2009. There was a 22.8% decrease, or 31 less citations, in cited safety violations from October 2009. There were 36 vehicles and 21 drivers placed, "out of service" in November 2009. Vehicles placed out of service decreased by 18.2%, or eight, compared to October 2009. Drivers placed out of service increased by 31.3%, or five, compared to October 2009. Traffic personnel conducted 248 inspections during November. This is a decrease of 31.7%, or 115 less inspections than in October 2009.

Front office personnel showed a slight increase of 6.2% from October's accident reports processed. Arrest reports processed increased 76.3%, or 45, compared to October 2009. Incident reports processed also increased by five, or 166.7%, compared to October 2009. The Communications Center radio transmissions decreased slightly by 9.6% compared to October 2009. CAD incidents and telephone calls also decreased by 4.7% and 19.6% respectively from the prior month.

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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

	November-09		Same period prior year	% Change		Prior Month	% Change
Total Crashes	67		86	-22.1%		66	1.5%
Property Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	53		63	-15.9%		58	-8.6%
Injury Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	13		22	-40.9%		7	85.7%
Fatal Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	1		1	0.0%		1	0.0%
DUI Crashes [DUI charged]	3		2	50.0%		1	200.0%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	1		1	0.0%		1	0.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	0		1	-100.0%		0	0.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	1		0	100.0%		0	100.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	0		0	0.0%		1	-100.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total persons killed -- seatbelts not applicable	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	10		16	-37.5%		15	-33.3%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	9		14	-35.7%		13	-30.8%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	1		2	-50.0%		1	0.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	0		0	0.0%		1	-100.0%

Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes	1.5%
Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes	4.5%
Percentage of persons killed <i>without</i> seatbelts to total persons killed	100%
Percentage of commercial vehicle crashes to total crashes	14.9%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

- Accidents were up one from October for a 1.5% increase. There were 19 fewer crashes than the previous year for a 22.1% decrease.
- There were three DUI crashes for the month of November. This reflects a 200% increase from the previous month and a 50% increase from the previous year.
- There was one fatal crash in November that involved a passenger motor vehicle. This is same as the previous month and the previous year.

There were ten accidents involving commercial motor vehicles during the month of November. This is a decrease of five accidents or 33.3% from the previous month and six less, or 37.5% than the previous year. The ten accidents accounted for 14.9% of the total accidents in the Command. Of the ten accidents, four were the fault of the commercial vehicle driver. There were two accidents involving a commercial vehicle in which the passenger vehicle driver was found to be at fault. Six of the commercial vehicle accidents occurred on Interstate 80. The remaining four occurred on secondary roadways.

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

	November-09		Same period prior year	% Change		Prior Month	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes	3		2	50.0%		1	200.0%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes	38		35	8.6%		44	-13.6%
Other Arrests	190		122	55.7%		233	-18.5%
Total persons arrested (DUI included)	85		76	11.8%		83	2.4%
Speed violations	1366		1612	-15.3%		1392	-1.9%
Hazardous moving violations	112		133	-15.8%		110	1.8%
Occupant restraint violations *	258		268	-3.7%		248	4.0%
Total violations [above violations included]	2579		4608	-44.0%		2741	-5.9%
Commercial Enforcement							
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	154		34	352.9%		110	40.0%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	52		16	225.0%		98	-46.9%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6]	575		592	-2.9%		701	-18.0%
Terminal inspections [level 5]	0		0	0.0%		7	-700.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	105		108	-2.8%		136	-22.8%
Total safety violations -- repair order	809		796	1.6%		834	-3.0%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	36		40	-10.0%		44	-18.2%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	21		23	-8.7%		16	31.3%
Total school buses inspected	0		11	-1100.0%		57	-5700.0%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	0		0	0.0%		21	-2100.0%
Total trucks weighed	481		829	-42.0%		735	-34.6%
Total overweight citations	1		6	-83.3%		22	-95.5%
Total dyed fuel inspections	531		555	-4.3%		606	-12.4%
Total dyed fuel citations	1		0	100.0%		0	100.0%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

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- Total violations decreased by 162 citations, or 5.9% compared to October 2009.
- Speed enforcement was down from October 2009 by 26 violations for a 1.9% decrease. Hazardous moving violations increased by two or 1.8% compared to October 2009. Occupant restraint violations also increased by ten, or 4%, from the previous month but decreased ten, or 3.7% from the previous year.
- There were 38 DUI arrests prior to crashes. This is six less than the prior month. This is an 8.6% increase, or three more arrests, than the previous year. The average reported BAC for impaired drivers for November was .158.

- Commercial vehicle inspections decreased by 126 safety inspections, or 18% compared to October 2009. Inspections decreased slightly by 17, or 2.9%, compared to the previous year. Total violations were down slightly by 25, or 3%, compared to October but increased 13, or 1.6%, compared to the previous year. There was a 22.8% decrease, or 31 violations, in cited safety violations compared to October 2009. There were 21 drivers and 36 vehicles placed out of service. Drivers placed out of service increased by five, or 31.3%, compared to October. Vehicles placed out of service decreased 18.2%, or by eight, compared to October. There was a decrease of 254, or 34.6%, in the number of trucks weighed compared to October. Trucks weighed decreased by 348, or 42%, compared to November 2008. During November, Central Command Commercial troopers produced 206 hazardous moving citations, traffic citations or traffic related arrests in addition to their commercial inspections.
- Of the 481 trucks weighed during November by Commercial enforcement personnel, 67 were weighed on secondary roadways during 141.8 hours of team oriented, directed enforcement. This is an average of one truck being weighed every 2.1 hours while on directed enforcement.
- MCSAP AA II Suzana Ayala certified 507 commercial vehicle inspections and entered 258 hand written commercial vehicle inspections during November. Additionally, she entered six commercial vehicle accidents into SafetyNet for other commands.

Commercial Activity [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]							
	Level 2/3 Inspections	Safety Violations Citation	Safety Violations Repair Order	Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	Vehicles Placed "Out of Service"	Dyed Fuel Inspections	Dyed Fuel Citations
	#	#	#	#	#	#	#
November-09	248	82	210	17	8	207	0
November-08	283	81	226	10	7	240	0
% Change	-12.4%	1.2%	-7.1%	70.0%	14.3%	-13.8%	0.0%

November-09	248	82	210	17	8	207	0
October-09	363	114	286	18	11	258	0
% Change	-31.7%	-28.1%	-26.6%	-5.6%	-27.3%	-19.8%	0.0%

- Traffic operations personnel conducted 248 level 2/3 inspections during November. This was a decrease of 31.7% compared to October 2009. There was a decrease of 31.7% in repair orders compared to last month. Eighty-two citations were issued for safety violations. This is a 28.1% decrease from last month's 114 citations issued. There were 210 repair orders issued during the inspections with eight vehicles and 17 drivers being placed out of service. Vehicles placed out of service increased by three, or 27.3%, compared to October 2009. Drivers placed out of service decreased by 1, or 5.6%, compared to October 2009.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	November-09		November-08	% Change		October-09	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER							
Radio Transmissions	61193		67701	-9.6%		67701	-9.6%
CAD incidents	5785		9174	-36.9%		6069	-4.7%
Telephone Calls	6469		7524	-14.0%		8043	-19.6%
FRONT OFFICE							
Accident Reports Processed	66		70	-5.7%		65	6.2%
Arrest Reports Processed	104		53	96.2%		59	76.3%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	8		11	-27.3%		3	166.7%
COURT / WARRANT							
Warrants Received	242		158	53.2%		235	3.0%
Warrants Entered	246		204	20.6%		235	4.7%
Warrants Cleared	223		53	320.8%		1029	-78.3%
Warrants Validated	1942		10	19320.0%		1394	39.3%
Extradition / Transports	4		2	100.0%		4	0.0%

Contract Service overtime was 89.25 hours with five escorts totaling \$6,765.29 during November 2009.

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

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- Contract services revenue was down in November compared to October by \$11,559.40.
- Communications Center radio transmissions experienced 9.6% increase from the previous month and the previous year.
- Front Office personnel processed 1.5% more accident reports than the previous month. The number of processed arrest greatly increased by 76.3% compared to last month. Incident reports also increased 166.7% compared to the previous month.
- The Court/Warrant Unit work experienced increases in warrants received, warrants entered and warrants validated, but showed a decrease in warrants cleared compared to October. There were increases in every category when compared to the prior year.

PERSONNEL

Thirty-one commercial and traffic troopers from Central Command traveled to the Las Vegas area to assist Southern Command with the New Years Eve 2009 operation. Due to the trooper's professionalism and dedication, the operation was a success and no major incidents occurred.

A candidate for the vacant Public Safety Dispatcher PSD III is currently in the background process.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

During the month of November, Trooper Stewart spent time preparing for December's Shop with a Cop in Elko. He also participated in several career fairs across the Command to include, Ely, Elko, Battle Mountain and Winnemucca.

AIR OPERATIONS

The Central Command Aircraft flew 54 hours, completing 16 missions during November. There were ten speed enforcement missions flown for November. November 23 through 25, the Central Command aircraft was utilized to support the statewide Badge on Board Operation. These dates were chosen by commercial commanders to coincide with the busy Thanksgiving Holiday travel normally experienced the three days prior to Thanksgiving. The aircraft spent 18.3 hours over the enforcement area and the activity was as follows: 169 speed enforcement actions, 13 hazardous moving, 26 non-hazardous moving and three safety belt violations. Also, one misdemeanor arrest was made for a warrant and 17 motorists were assisted during the three day operation.

Below is a table of activity that occurred during the five speed enforcement missions that were flown for November 2009. These numbers do not include the totals listed above for the three day Badge on Board mission.

Type of Violation	Enforcement Actions
Speed	242
Hazardous	19
Non-Hazardous	36
Seat belt	5
Arrests	1

One subject was arrested for misdemeanor warrants and other misdemeanor charges during speed enforcement. Twenty-one motorists were assisted during the five speed enforcement missions and seven more motorists were assisted during line patrol missions.

Two missions were flown for line patrol for a total of 7.2 hours. One prisoner transport was made for 4.8 flight hours. There was one property transport made for 2.1 hours of flight time and two training missions were flown for a total of 3.5 hours.

All of the Central Command airplane's flight time and activity were up compared to the prior month and year.

